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FY 2012-2013 COMMUNITY EVENTS FUNDING REQUEST

Event Name:

Tualatin Riverkeepers' Nature Recreation Events

Address:

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Tualatin, OR 97062

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1. Request (express in whole dollar amounts only)

Cash

\$2,500 (see attached budget)

In-Kind Services (use of City property, City staff support, etc. Please explain the services requested on a separate sheet)

Total Request

\$2,500

2. Purpose of Funding Request:

Nature Recreation: Connecting Tigard Residents to the River in Their Community

Outdoor recreation opportunities that are low cost, close to home, require minimal time commitment, and are available for families are lacking in Washington County. These factors identified in "The Hispanic Community and Outdoor Recreation," report by the Outdoor Industry Foundation, 2007 are the primary barriers to culturally diverse populations participating in outdoor recreation activities. By removing these barriers to involvement, diverse populations can enjoy the benefits of outdoor recreation with Tualatin Riverkeepers (TRK). Outdoor recreation promotes fitness and has a positive effect on family functioning. Participating in these activities also creates awareness and engages people in activities that secure a healthy environment.

Last year, TRK successfully changed the demographics of people participating in its signature Discovery Day Paddle Trip event (June) to 80% paddling the Tualatin for the first time and 20% being people of color. TRK achieved this success by providing local access, low cost gear rentals, developing shorter 2 hour experiences, and targeting outreach to families with children. TRK will use this model to increase participation of

first time paddlers and people of color in all its summer 2012 outdoor recreation opportunities in Tigard.

Goal : Tualatin Riverkeepers (TRK) will provide canoe and kayak experiences on the Tualatin River for 700 participants at Cook Park in Tigard in 2012-2013.

Family Day Paddle August 11, 9am - 12pm & 11am - 2pm, Cook Park, 64 participants. Participants will experience the Tualatin led by trained volunteer guides. Expert led paddle trips give extra support to paddlers new to the sport or anyone who needs an extra hand to lift, haul, launch, paddle or dock their canoe or kayak. Guided trips also provide the depth of experience that is only possible when led by a mentor. Guides will share stories, wildlife observation techniques and natural history.

Nature Day Camp, July 19, July 26, August 9, Aug 17, Cook Park, 80 participants. Campers participating in Summer Nature Day Camp at summer Creek Natual Area with paddle the Tualatin led by TRK's trained guides.

Cook Park Summer Boat Rentals, Weekends, 10am – 6pm, June – September, 400 participants. Cook Park Boat Rentals will greatly expand opportunities to experience the Tualatin River though paddle recreation by making boats and gear available to the public for rent seasonally.

Guided Kayak Tours, Four Summer Dates TBD at Cook Park, 100 participants.

TRK will partners with organizations and groups to lead guided tours for groups. TRK will partner with organizations that serve communities of color and people with disabilities to ensure the demographics of participants reflects the demographics of the community of Tigard.

Tualatin River Clean Up Via Canoe, Event Dates TBD, 70 participants.

TRK will engage 70 participants in on the river clean up. For new audiences, river clean up provides a tangible environmental volunteer experience coupled with all the beauty, wildlife and solitude of a nature recreation adventure. TRK will target partner organizations that serve diverse communities for participation in river clean up.

3. How will this event benefit the Tigard Community?

TRK will provide canoe and kayak experiences on the Tualatin River for 700 people at Cook Park in Tigard in 2012. Of those, 400 will be residents of Tigard.

Program participants learn skills to increase their awareness and enjoyment of the natural world for a life time. First time paddlers who participate in guided canoe and kayak trips gain the skills and confidence needed to then venture out and repeat these experiences on their own. Additionally, recreation programs encourage physical activity and promote a healthful lifestyle.

Free and low cost nature recreation experiences are designed to maximize participation to achieve TRK's goal to foster long term stewardship for the Tualatin River and broader

watershed. This City of Tigard Community Grant enables TRK to provide Nature Recreation opportunities in Tigard.

4. How many Tigard residents do you anticipate participating in this event (or these events)?

We anticipate 700 people will participate in TRK's Nature Recreation and Education programs in the City of Tigard in 2012. 400 of the participants will be Tigard residents.

5. Please submit the following information with this request:

- a. Most recent annual budget compared with the prior year's actual revenues and expenditures. The Budget should identify the period to which it applies, beginning and ending balances, major revenue sources, major expenditure categories, and number of authorized positions.
- b. Audit report or financial statements for the last fiscal year.**
- c. Articles of Incorporation.*
- d. 501(c)(3) status.*
- e. Organization Bylaws*

^{*} Information not required if it has been submitted at least once in the last five years.

^{**} Lack of adequate financial information could result in denial of request.

TUALATIN RIVERKEEPERS Statement of Activities

	Trips & Tours	City of Tigard
Expenses		
Personnel		
Salaries	14,569	1,250
Payroll Taxes	2,500	,
Health Care	1,160	
Retirement	600	
Payroll fees & charges	227	
LINKS members		
Total Personnel Expenses	19,056	
Operating		
Contract Services	3,000	
Events Expense	500	250
Occupancy	840	
Postage & Printing	2,100	350
Office Costs	1,510	250
Insurance	2,461	250
Travel	190	50
Equipment Expenses	199	50
Advertising	60	
Misc (CC & Bank Fees)	300	
Meetings/Food & Beverage	∍: 150	
Membership/Volunteer	240	50
Board Development	170	
Professional Dues & Memb	75	
Business Liscenses & Fee	s 195	
Subscriptions / Publication	s40	
Total Operating Expenses	12,030	
Total Expenses	31,086	2,500